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Applicant : Ryoh Itoh  
Title : METHOD FOR PARTIALLY PLATING ON A BASE  
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 2233-1450

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In the above application, the preliminary amendment was filed on November 24, 2003, while the Office Action was mailed on November 26, 2003. It seems that the preliminary amendment and the Office Action crossed each other.

Since the preliminary amendment was filed earlier than the Office Action, please review the preliminary amendment and issue another Action.

Respectfully Submitted,

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